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For: EXTERNAL GAUGE FOR LIQUOR INVENTORY CONTROL

Assistant Commissioner for Patents.
Washington, D.C. 20231.

RESPONSE TO EXAMINER'S ACTION DATED MAY 17, 2002

Sir:

REMARKS

In response to the examiner's action, the above application has been amended by inserting the proper reference to the prior applications in replacement of the first sentence of the specification on page 1.

Claim 1 has been rejected as anticipated by Marcussen, claim 2 has been rejected as unpatentable over Marcussen in view of Hornig, claim 3 has been rejected as unpatentable over Marcussen in view of McDermott, and claim 4 has been rejected as unpatentable over Marcussen. Reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the attached amended claims 1-4, added claims 5-8 and following comments.

Claim 1 has been amended to include the limitations added in amending claim 1 in the parent application. Claims 5-8 have also been added as in the parent application. Additional amendment has also been made to further distinguish over the combination of the patent to Carr